IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Klingensmith et al.

Art Unit: 2624

Application No. 10/649,473

Examiner: Scheela C. Chawan

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For:

System And Method For Identifying A

Vascular Border

COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice of Allowance dated November 23, 2007, to the extent the Examiner's statement differs from a mere restatement of the claim language, Applicants traverse these statements. Applicants further traverse the statements and reasoning of the Examiner insofar as it would lead to or suggest, if at all, an interpretation of the claimed invention different from the full extent of claim scope afforded thereto by the established law in the absence of the statement of the reasons for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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